Adventure 3
A Nickname for Tepig

YOU TOO, SNIVY... TACKLE!
OSHA-WOTT! USE TACKLE!
BOING
Ka-SWAP
OOF.
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP
SWAP

CHEREN, HOW COULD YOU...?
sha
Osha
THAT HURT,
sha
Osha
sha
ARE YOU OKAY, BIANCA?
...OH.
UH...
Waaaah!
I WILL NEVER EVER FORGIVE YOU FOR THIS !!!
SWIP
SWIP
WAAAH!
whack whack...
whack
whack
whack
BIANCA! STOP HITTING ME!

THIS ROOM IS A MESS!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING WAGING A POKÉMON BATTLE IN MY LIVING ROOM?!
BE QUIET!!
WOW ...
POKE-MON ARE SO POWER-FUL!
BUT SO SMALL! I LOVE MY NEW POKÉMON FRIENDS!
I'M SO, SO SORRY, PROF. JUNI PER.
BIANCA JUST COULDN'T WAIT FOR THE POKEDEXES TO BE FIXED...
HEY! YOU HAVE TO APOLO GIZE TOO!
NEVER MIND...

THAT'S ALL RIGHT C'MON, CHEREN! LET'S HAVE ANOTHER POKÉMON BA-
THUMP!!
THE POKÉDEXES...
...HAVEN'T BEEN RE FAIRED YET?
IT'S TAKING LONGER THAN I THOUGHT.
OH! ARE YOU IN...
...CONTACT WITH BLACK?
NO
HE DOESN'T HAVE A CELL PHONE...
WISH I KNEW WHAT HE'S UP TO!
WHAT ELSE? HE'S EITHER ANNOUNCING HIS DREAM TO ANYONE WHO DOESN'T WANT TO LISTEN...
...OR BURIED UP TO HIS EARS IN TEPIG RESEARCH.
YAHOO!
LIBRARY
I'M GONNA GO TO THE POKÉMON LEAGUE! AND I'M GONNA WIN!!! I AM SO TOTALLY, ABSOLUTELY GONNA WIN!!

MAR-SHAL...
CAIT-LIN...
GRIM-SLEY..
WATCH OUT...
..ELITE FOUR-SHAUN-TAL...
YOU TOO, ALDER-REIGNING CHAMPION.
SHUSSSH!!!
AHAHAHA! I KNOW I'M IN A LIBRARY, BUT I JUST CAN'T HELP MYSELF--
MOV ING ON--
HMM THE EVOLVED FORM OF TEPIG ISN'T IN THIS BOOK EITHER.

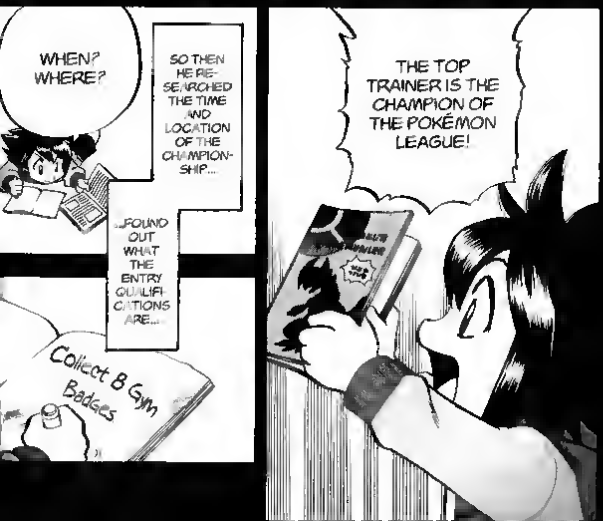
...UNTIL I FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF POKEMON YOU'RE GOING TO EVOLVE INTO.
I CAN'T GIVE YOU A GOOD NICK NAME.
HUH? BE PATIENT
OKAY, NEXT...
...YOU WOULDN'T WANT A NAME THAT FITS THE FORM YOU'RE IN NOW, WOULD YOU?
IF YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME A BIG TOUGH POKÉMON...
COME BACK HERE, TEPIG!
W-WHAT'S THE MAT-TER?
H-HUH?
HMM... BUT MAYBE YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE POKÉMON THAT DOESN'T EVOLVE..
HE NAMED HIS MUNNA "MUSHA" BECAUSE HE FOUND OUT IT WAS GOING TO EVOLVE INTO A MUSHARNA SOMEDAY
HE NAMED HIS BRAVIARY "BRAV" BACK WHEN IT WAS STILL A RUFFLET.
YES.
HE HAS A MUNNA AND BRAVIARY ALREADY.
I SEE. HE LOOKS UP WHAT POKÉMON THEY'LL EVOLVE INTO AND BASES THEIR NICKNAMES ON THAT?

THAT'S JUST THE KIND OF BOY BLACK IS
HMM... HOW UNUSUAL...
...TO PREPARE TO FOLLOW HIS DREAM.
HE'S ALWAYS DOING RESEARCH...
...FOR NINE YEARS FOR THIS DAY!
AND HE'S BEEN PREPARING...
BLACK LIVED IN ANOTHER TOWN, BUT HE USED TO COME TO NUVEMA TOWN A LOT TO PLAY.
WE THREE HAVE BEEN FRIENDS SINCE WE WERE LITTLE

GROWN-UPS HAVE POKEMON BATTLES TO SEE WHO'S THE BEST!
CHEREN! GUESS WHAT?
BUT BLACK GOT MORE AND MORE INTO IT...
...STAGING MAKE-BELIEVE POKEMON BATTLES.
AT FIRST WE JUST PRETENDED...
WANNA TRY? WE COULD BORROW YOUR PARENTS' POKEMON.
SOUNDS FUN
SURE! LET'S DO IT!
Hf
GUESS WHAT? I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!
I'M GONNA BECOME THE BEST POKEMON TRAINER EVER!

THAT'S RIGHT.
BUT THAT WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING...
YA hOO!
HOW CUTE. I LIKE A CHILD WITH AMBITION.

...TO BECOME THE BEST TRAINER AND THEN...
BLACK WENT OFF ON HIS OWN AND RESEARCHED HOW...


WHEN? WHERE?
SO THEN HE RE-SEARCHED THE TIME AND LOCATION OF THE CHAMPION-SHIP...
...FOUND OUT WHAT THE ENTRY QUALIFI-CATIONS ARE...
Collect 8 Gym Badges
THE TOP TRAINER IS THE CHAMPION OF THE POKÉMON LEAGUE!

AND DREW UP A STRATEGY FOR SUCCESS!
Pokémon League Victory Plan...
CHECK THIS OUT....
CHEREN! BIANCA! I'VE GOT IT!!
OF POKÉMON GYMS AND TO FIGHT THE GYM LEADERS, YOU HAVE TO VISIT THEIR GYMS IN DIFFERENT TOWNS ALL OVER THE UNOVA REGION.
TO GET THE GYM BADGES, YOU HAVE TO DEFEAT THE GYM LEADERS...
YOU HAVE TO DEFEAT THE ELITE FOUR AND THE REIGNING CHAMPION AT THE POKÉMON LEAGUE.
RIGHT, WE'LL HAVE TO GO ON A TRAINING JOURNEY! YAY!
THAT MEANS YOU'LL HAVE TO TRAVEL FAR AWAY...
BUT FIRST, TO QUALIFY TO CHALLENGE THOSE FIVE, YOU HAFT - COLLECT ALL EIGHT GYM BADGES.

I'VE GOTTA FIGURE OUT A WAY TO CONVINCE THEM...
BUT IF I DON'T GO ON A JOURNEY I CAN'T VISIT THE POKÉMON GYMS AND IF I DON'T VISIT THE POKÉMON GYMS I CAN'T ENTER THE POKÉMON LEAGUE!
THAT COULD BE A PROBLEM. PLUS, I'VE GOT KINDERGARTEN...
BUT... WILL YOUR MOM AND DAD LET YOU TRAVEL ALL BY YOURSELF, BLACK?
HMM...
YOU'RE RIGHT! HE'S A SUPERFAMOUS POKÉMON RESEARCHER.
OH, LOOK!
OUR NEIGHBOR'S ON TV!
I have a better idea! Blah, blah...
How about this! Blah, blah...
YES. I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT.
REALLY? A NEW POKÉDEX IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT, PROF JUNIPER?
I SEE DOES THIS MEAN YOU'LL BE GOING ON A JOURNEY TO COLLECT DATA?
I'M TOLD IT'S A HIGH-TECH INSTRUMENT THAT GATHERS INFORMATION ON THE POKÉMON YOU ENCOUNTER.

OH, I THINK NOT...
BETTER LEAVE THAT TO THE YOUNG FOLK!
HELPING A FAMOUS RESEARCH ER...
SPRING
THIS IS MY BIG BREAK!
BLACK! I CAN'T SEE!
...IS THE PERFECT EXCUSE FOR GOING ON A TRAINING JOURNEY.
HEY! YOUR HOUSE WAS JUST ON THE SCREEN FOR A SECOND CHEREN!
BUT WE'RE STILL TOO YOUNG TO GO ON A-
TAKE ME TO HIS HOUSE, CHEREN!

I COULDN'T BELIEVE HE PULLED IT OFF! BLACK WENT HOME THAT VERY DAY AND CONVINCED HIS PARENTS...
WHEN BLACK SETS HIS MIND TO SOMETHING, NOTHING CAN STOP HIM!
...TO MOVE TO NUVEMA TOWN.
Poor Black!
REALLY?! I NEVER NOTICED...
NEVER MIND...
HE STAGED POKÉMON BATTLES EVERY DAY IN FRONT OF YOUR HOUSE. PROF. JUNIPER.
AFTER THAT, HE TRIED EVERYTHING TO GET THE PROFESSOR TO NOTICE HIM...

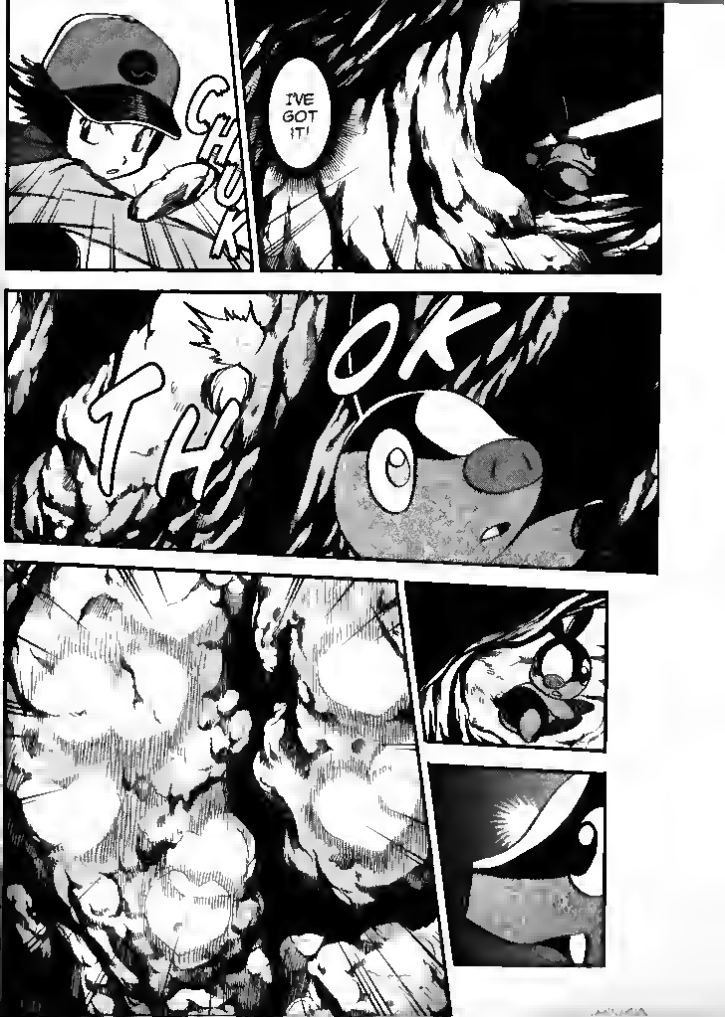
ANYHOW, I HAVE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH BLACK TO TELL HIM HE HAS OUR ONLY WORKING POKÉDEX HE NEEDS TO TAKE EXTRA GOOD CARE OF IT!
I'LL GO AFTER HIM AND GIVE HIM THE MESSAGE
BUT IF WE WAIT TILL AFTER YOU FIX OUR POKÉDEXES...
YOU'RE RIGHT
IT WOULD BE BEST IF YOU FOUND BLACK RIGHT AWAY.
WOULD YOU DO THAT FOR ME?
ALL RIGHT
SURE!
BLACK WOULD BE FOLLOWING A ROUTE TO A POKÉMON GYM...
HE'S PROBABLY HEADING FOR—
BI-A-AN-CA-A!
UH OH!

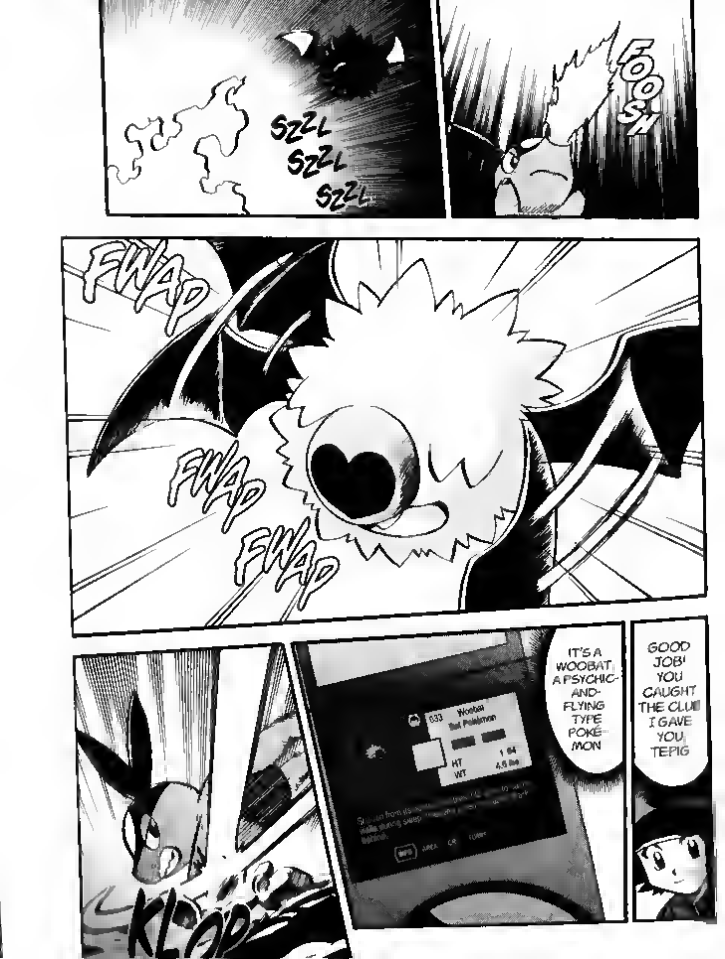
IN HERE ?
HEY! TE-E-EPI-HG!
MEAN-WHILE, BLACK..
VIP
THERE YOU ARE!
COME OUT!
I WONDER IF TEPIG THINKS I DON'T LIKE IT THE WAY IT IS ..
..BECAUSE I WANT TO GIVE IT A NAME TO MATCH ITS EVOLVED FORM
PI...I...!!
YOU SURE LIKE TO SULK!

HEY! IF YOU SHOUT LIKE THAT IN HERE...
...YOU COULD STARTLE A WILD POKÉMON AND GET ATTACKED!
PII
PII
PII
SLASH
SWSH
FWSH
SWSH
FWSH
SWSH
WHAT DID I TELL YOU...?

GOOD FOR YOU!
ARE YOU TRYING TO PROVE HOW TOUGH YOU ARE?
YOU'RE TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT WITH THAT WILD POKÉMON?
WHAT?
PIIII
KRAK
BUT...
TEPIG CAN'T WIN WITHOUT ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ITS OPPONENT!
TEPIG'S OPPONENT SEEMS EVEN TOUGHER!
MUCHA!
CHOCHIMP

BLANK...
..I NEED TO MAKE MY MIND TOTALLY BLANK...
MNCH
MNCH
TO FIND THE WILD POKE-MON HIDING IN THE DARK...
GOT IT!
WHITE NOISE TURNS TO BLACK...
THE CLUES FLOW INTO MY HEAD...
THE POKEMON TEPIG IS FIGHTING AGAINST IS!
NOW I KNOW WHO THE WILD POKÉ MON IS!
BUT TEPIG IS FIGHTING TO SHOW ME IT'S GOT WHAT IT TAKES,
AND I DON'T WANT TEPIG TO LOSE FACE.
HOW CAN I PASS ON THE INFO...?


CHUK
IVE GOT IT!
TH
OK


SZZL
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FOOSH
FWAP
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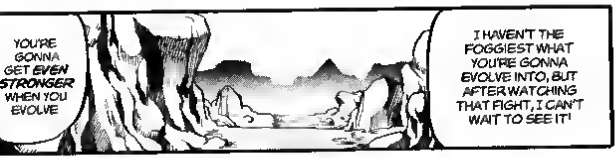
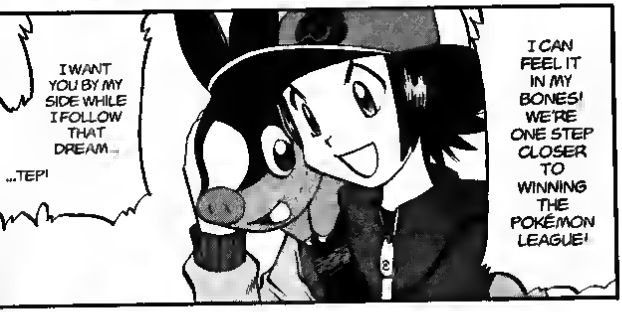
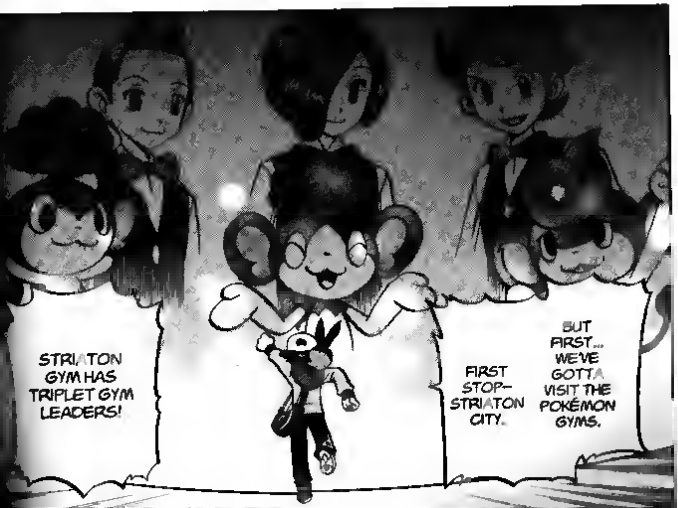
KLOP
633 Woobat Bat Pokémon
HT 1'04
WT 4.9 lbs
IT'S A WOOBAT, A PSYCHIC-AND-FLYING TYPE POKÉMON
GOOD JOB! YOU CAUGHT THE CLUE I GAVE YOU, TEPIG

SHNK
GREAT MOVE!
bump
bonk
bonk
bump
A WOOBAT CAN'T FLY PROPERLY WHEN ITS NOSE IS PLUGGED.
klop
GLOMP
Tp!

YOU CAN'T STAND LOSING, CAN YOU? YOU SURE HAVE A STRONG FIGHTING INSTINCT!
TEPIG LOOKS SO PROUD!
Grin
ALL RIGHT, YOU CONVINCED ME YOU'RE TOUGH ENOUGH ALREADY
SO I'LL...
...NICKNAME YOU...
..."TEP."


YOU'RE GONNA GET EVEN STRONGER WHEN YOU EVOLVE
I HAVEN'T THE FOGGIEST WHAT YOU'RE GONNA EVOLVE INTO, BUT AFTER WATCHING THAT FIGHT, I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE IT!


I WANT YOU BY MY SIDE WHILE I FOLLOW THAT DREAM...
...TEP!
I CAN FEEL IT IN MY BONES! WE'RE ONE STEP CLOSER TO WINNING THE POKÉMON LEAGUE!


STRIATON GYM HAS TRIPLET GYM LEADERS!
FIRST STOP— STRIATON CITY.
BUT FIRST... WE'VE GOTTA VISIT THE POKÉMON GYMS.

NO FAIR!
WA-A-A-H!
MEAN-WHILE BACK HOME..
...AND ANOTHER KID ISN'T READY ON THE DAY OF HER DEPARTURE..
HMPH... ONE KID PREPARED FOR HIS TRAINING JOURNEY FOR NINE YEARS WITH THE SUPPORT OF HIS FAMILY..
LEGGO OF ME! I WANNA GO-O-O!
IT'S A DANGEROUS WORLD OUT THERE! YOU'RE MUCH TOO IMMATURE TO HANDLE IT!!
I WON'T ALLOW IT! YOU'RE NOT GOING ON A TRAINING JOURNEY TO GATHER POKÉMON DATA!
HOW LONG TILL WE LEAVE?
NO IDEA
I SAID NO! AND I MEAN NO!